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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: John M. Curotto, Edward M. Suden and Gideon Gimlan
Assignee: John M. Curotto
Title: Front-Loadable Refuse Container Having Side-Loading Robotic Arm with Motors and Other Mass Mounted at Rear of Container and Use of Same with Front-Loading Waste-Hauling Vehicle Having Hydraulic Front Forks or Other Retractable Engageable Lift Means
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION WITH TRAVERSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of November 23, 2005,
Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I (apparatus Claims 1-15, 20-26, 31-42) with
traverse. Further in response to said Action, Applicants hereby provisionally elect species A
(Figs. 3-4) and Fig. 4A as a subspecies thereof.

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